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REMARKS

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1. On 15 March 1951, at about 9 a.m., 21 single-engine ground attack aircraft took off from the Doeberitz (N 53/7 65) airfield within 2 minutes, flying eastward. The planes returned in formation from the north after about 5 minutes and then headed south. (1) About one hour later, the formation approached the field from the southeast. While half of the formation landed at the field, the other half continued flying toward the northwest and landed 35 minutes later.
2. Intensive work was being done on 66 ground attack aircraft which were parked in two rows on the northern edge of the field. Thirty-four ground attack planes were parked without discernible order on the southern edge of the field. (2) Individual planes taxied from the southern edge of the field to the northern edge and vice versa. The aircraft parked in the western half of the northern edge of the field were painted dark green and those parked in the eastern half had a camouflage paint of different colors. One radio truck with a rod antenna 6 meters high, one fire truck, two trucks, and three tank trucks were parked at the take-off point on the western edge of the field. Pagsots marked the edges of the runway. Local flying started at about 1 p.m. and was still in progress at 4 p.m. Visibility was good throughout the day.
3. There was intensive flying at the field on 16 March. A ground attack plane was seen towing a sleeve target. Local flights were made continually until about 8 p.m.

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- * Comment. For flying formation, see Annex. This formation indicates that one ground attack regiment is sub-divided in flights of four planes each. one squadron consists of three flights and that four squadrons and one headquarters flight form one ground attack regiment. Thus, one ground attack regiment would be equipped with 52 aircraft.

- ** Comment. the airfield is occupied by two ground attack regiments equipped with IL-10s.

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1 Annex: sketch

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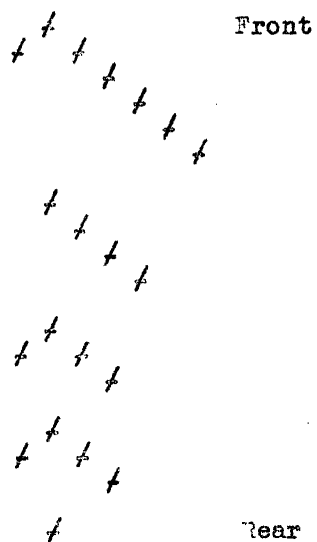
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Flight Formation Seen at Doeberitz Airfield



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